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Parking changes set for fall

By Samantha Ernest
Staff Writer

The University is pleased to announce a new student parking program beginning fall 2009. Along with the opening of the new parking garage in the fall, the student parking program will change.

The new parking garage will hold about 800 spaces. The first 400 will be held for visitors while on the top

floors, the last 400 will be reserved for permit holders.

Evening-only permits will be available for commuter students taking evening courses. Evening parking will run from 5:15 p.m. until 7:45 a.m., Monday through Friday. Eligible upper-class students will still have the option to purchase a green permit to park on the main campus based on available space, while freshman students will continue to be

able to purchase a permit for the East Campus. Next year, residents and commuters will be able to purchase a gold permit that includes the Dresser parking lots.

A new permit registration system will be implemented starting in the fall. Similar to course registration, upper class students will have the opportunity to sign up online for a parking permit based on their class standing. A limited number of

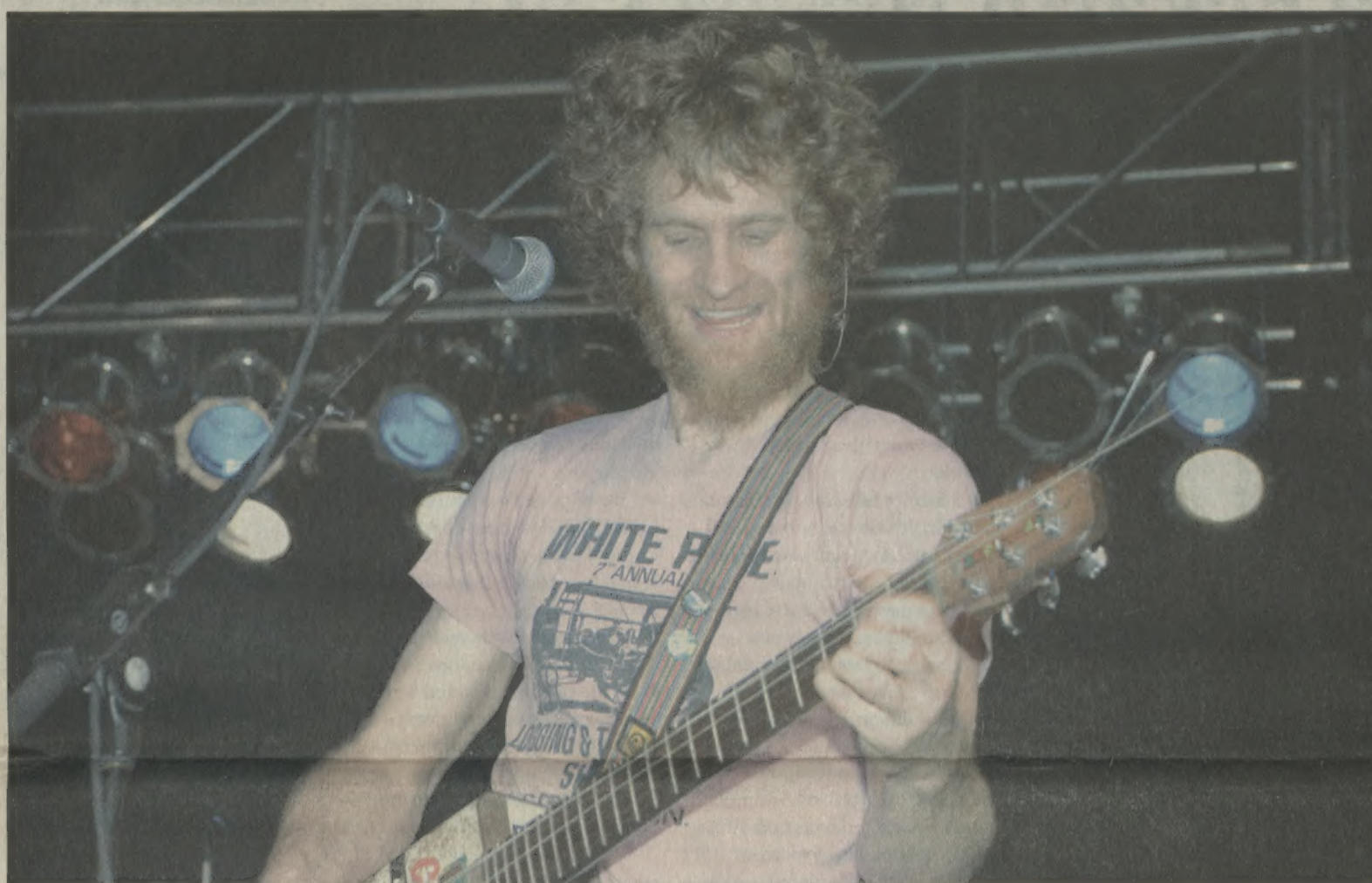
spaces will continue to be available on the main campus and in the parking garage. They will be offered to upper-class students on a first-come, first-served basis factoring in class standing and space availability.

Should an upper-class student miss their assigned window, they may still purchase a permit but may find that the allotment of permits has been exhausted for a particular area.

Parking garages can be a danger-

ous place, especially at night, and many students are concerned about their safety in the new parking garage. Junior Riley Turner is concerned about the precautions that are going to be made to keep the garage safe. "I would feel safer knowing that there is a physical presence of security rather than just cameras in the new garage," Turner said.

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R.L. Pusey photo

State Radio lead singer Chad Urmston gets the crowd pumped at Sunday's Gull Fest. Rehab, Nature's Child, 3G, Rory Sullivan and Coastal Vibrations also performed on Sunday. Temperatures reached 91 degrees and hundreds of students braved the scorching sun to participate in the event.

State Radio headlines Gull Fest 2009

By Stacie Manger
Staff Writer

Students rocked out to headliners State Radio, Rehab and Nature's Child Sunday afternoon in the sweltering heat. People played on the inflatable games and cooled off either in the mister or via super soakers the staff carried.

"I've heard a little bit of Rehab's songs," said Phi Mu hospitality staff member Addie Kauzlarich. "I think their music is fun and upbeat. I was excited to hear more of it during the concert."

3G, Battle of the Bands winner, opened the festival on the side stage. Nature's Child followed on the main stage. Rory Sullivan, Coastal Vibrations and Rehab performed before

State Radio closed the concert. Chill, acoustic music could be heard during set changes and the atmosphere was completely relaxed.

"I like Nature's Child," said senior Jess Bissinger. "It's different. I listen to Ska and Reggae music, so it was cool to hear a band I've never heard of. I'll probably look them up. I was most excited for State Radio and I was really glad that SU brought them in."

Other students were a bit disgruntled that the Gull Fest bands were not big names or groups many have heard of.

"I'm kind of mad that none of the bands we got to vote for are here," said freshman Matt Custer. "But we should be happy to have any band here for a concert, so it doesn't really

matter."

The headliners, however, are up and coming bands on the pop scene. The lead singer from State Radio, Chad Urmston, was the former lead singer in Dispatch. Rehab's "Bartender Song" is receiving a lot of attention as well.

"We're really happy about it," said Foz, Rehab's guitarist. "The song's 10 years old and we're glad it caught on. It's never really gotten attention until now."

Foz said seven or eight songs from their album "Graffiti the World" have received radio play.

All of the members of Rehab said they enjoyed playing at Salisbury.

State Radio's Urmston agreed. He said it was a nice day for the festival, even with the heat. Urmston said

he liked all of the bands that played and he hoped to gain more fans.

"It's always interesting to play in front of people who don't know State Radio's music," he said. "It makes us wonder who had the power to get us down here."

Despite the fact that some had never heard of the groups, all of the music was well-received. Students were laughing, bobbing their heads to the music and enjoying the festival.

There was a mishap with crowd surfing and moshing. Ed Cowell, Dean of Students, told the audience it had to stop or the concert would be over. His statement was met with boos, but the crowd soon returned to first-pumping, cheering and singing along.

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Activities Director chosen

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

Yesterday, the new student activities director began working at SU.

Jennifer Blackwell, who previously worked as the director of student activities at Wesley College in Dover, Del., was chosen from more than 140 applicants to fill the position.

Blackwell said she decided to go into her field because she likes working with students.

"I am most excited about helping students garner the knowledge and tools to make an impact in the world," she said about her new job.

At Salisbury, Blackwell said, she will advise student organizations, create leadership development opportunities, make sure organizations are following University rules, manage the Scarborough Leadership Center, and interact with and provide resources for students.

"We were looking for someone that would be the voice for the students here in the student activities office," said search committee member Ann Obert, also the administrative assistant in the Office of Student Activities, Organizations and Leadership.

Dean of Students Ed Cowell is happy Blackwell will be taking the position and said she has a "professional presence." He also said she would do especially well in building leadership, supporting and overseeing the Greek community and encouraging a variety of opinions.

"I think she'll do an excellent job. I think she brings a nice blend of skills and experiences to the position. We were fortunate to have her in the pool. While the search was a bit prolonged, I strongly feel that

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Earth Day turns into stinkfest

By Jonathan Moynihan
Staff Writer

Irony had its way last Wednesday as the very thing being celebrated, the Earth, was what caused SU's celebration of it to be moved from the outdoors of Red Square to the fluorescently-lit Wicomico Room.

Heavy rainfall and thunderstorms forced the environmentalist groups and nature-conscious students alike to gather inside where numerous monuments celebrating the Earth were on display.



R. L. Pusey photo

Graduate Assistant Jill Petrosillo takes a whiff of Keri Bennett's foot during SGA's "dirty feet" contest at Wednesday's Earth Day festivities.

Tables raising awareness on environmental issues or advocating specific causes were set up throughout the room. One of the more captivating tables belonged to the Sustainability Club and their large-print flyers advocating for SU to sever their partnership with Kimberly Clark cleaning supplies. The cleaning supplies used by the University are not environmentally friendly, said Sustainabil-

ity Club Co-President Adrianne Witkowski. The TETC building uses "green" cleaning supplies, but it's not a campus wide effort, and that's what the club is fighting for, she said.

The festivities climaxed as the contestants of SGA's "dirty foot" contest gathered. The contestants were to be judged on color, smell, "Earthiness" and "natural disgust-

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Students raise funds for seventh Relay

By Lauren Sadler
Staff Writer

This year's Relay for Life at Salisbury will begin Friday, May 1, at 6 p.m. with a Luminaria Ceremony of Hope at the Intramural Fields and end the following morning at 6 a.m. The Luminaria ceremony is dedicated to people who have lost their lives to cancer and honors those who have won their battle. The theme, "Cure-toons," has inspired some teams to make campsites dedicated to the Smurfs, Bobby's World, Pinky and the Brain, Mulan and CUREious George.

"The total goal for this year is 100K, and we are working very

hard to reach it," said Agata Liszkowska, Associate Director of the Center for International Education and a member of Colleges Against Cancer.

Salisbury raised \$95,000 in donations last year, making SU's Relay for Life No. 3 in the nation among institutions its size for per capita fundraising, Liszkowska said. Since 2002, SU has raised more than \$550,000 for the society. All proceeds benefit cancer research, education, patient services and advocacy programs.

"This event has a seven-year tradition at SU, and for the past five years, Salisbury University's Relay for Life has been one of the top

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Alternative energy discussed at forum

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

SGA, PACE and ShoreEnergy teamed up to sponsor "Alternative Energy: Where are we now? Where are we going?" on Earth Day.

Don Rush, news director for Public Radio Delmarva, moderated two speakers: economics and finance faculty member Dr. Danny Ervin and political science faculty member Dr. Piet DeWitt.

Rush began by noting that people have been interested in nuclear, wind, solar and clean coal energy alternatives to oil for a while. While none of these alternatives have been able to replace oil yet, he said, people are looking into these options because oil will eventually run out and also because global warming is becoming more of a problem.

DeWitt talked about how the U.S. currently uses large amounts of fossil fuels to keep the country running. "Today, we live in a fossil fuel world. 85 percent of our energy use in the United States is from fossil

fuels — oil, coal and natural gas," DeWitt said.

While DeWitt said that currently, renewable energy sources make up almost seven percent of total energy sources in the U.S., 13 percent of energy may be coming from these types of sources in 2030.

"If we are to make an advance in energy, if we are to produce enough energy for this country to continue its growth and also attack the problem of carbon dioxide emissions and global climate change, we must turn to the renewables," DeWitt said. Ervin discussed how crude oil is important for transportation fuels, but the mixing of ethanol and gasoline helps to keep costs lower. He sees a future for using hydrogen in fuel and also for additional hybrid and electric cars.

"We're looking at these alternatives and hopefully that will start to make a difference on the economic side," Ervin said.

Ervin also talked about possibly increasing the amount of nuclear energy used, although there is a high

monetary cost. While there is a risk of disasters like Three Mile Island, Ervin said, the industry has made changes since the incident. Some states have started to generate a large proportion of electricity using nuclear power, he added.

"I think that it's an energy source that we're going to have to consider," Ervin said.

DeWitt said clean coal, another energy option, will likely be a good resource despite the high expense because there is so much coal available in the U.S.

Ervin said the country's dependence on electricity makes alternative energy an important issue.

"Without electricity, the quality of life in this country, and in the world, would be much different," he explained.

While Rush noted that environmentalism began in his generation, he also said there is more work to be done.

"It's your generation that's got to figure out where we go from here," he said.



R. L. Pusey photo

Dr. Danny Ervin, Dr. Piet DeWitt and Public Radio Delmarva news director Don Rush discuss alternative energy options on Earth Day last Wednesday evening in the Worcester Room.

Delegate Eckardt receives SU award, speaks on public service



Adrienne Price photo

Maryland Delegate and Hargreaves Fellowship recipient Adelaide "Addie" C. Eckart talked about medical issues and public service.

By Laura Dignan
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Maryland Delegate Adelaide "Addie" C. Eckart, the 2009 recipient of the John R. Hargreaves Distinguished Legislative Fellow Award,

spoke to a group of Salisbury University students last Tuesday about mental health issues, medical ethics and the importance of public service.

Eckardt is the eighth recipient of the Hargreaves Fellowship, which is

sponsored by SU's Institute of Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE). The award is designed to recognize outstanding legislators for effective and honorable public service. During a ceremony at the Lowe House Office Building in Annapolis, SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach presented the award to Eckardt.

As a former full-time psychiatric mental health clinical nurse specialist, Eckardt has taught many nursing courses at SU and maintains certification as a psychiatric nurse by the American Nurses Association.

"Of particular interest to our students, especially those seeking careers in health care, is that Delegate Eckardt has been at the forefront of combating the nursing shortage in the state of Maryland," said Dr. Francis Kane, co-director of SU's PACE. "Her nursing expertise brings a wealth of knowledge to important health care issues facing our state."

Many of Eckardt's colleagues and fellow nurses encouraged her to join politics, saying she would have more impact on policy as a nurse in a legis-

lative role than as a practicing nurse in Maryland.

Serving Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot and Wicomico Counties in District 37B, Eckardt has been a member of the Maryland House of Delegates since 1994. She is a member of many committees, including the House Appropriations Committee. She also serves as a board member for organizations such as Leadership Maryland, Mid-Shore Regional Council, and the Eastern Shore Area Health Education Center.

Eckardt spoke with students about her personal endeavors working in the public sector and her experience as a psychiatric nurse. Her main concern was to inform students of the many ethical dilemmas they may face upon entering the field.

"I view my job as one that requires honesty, leadership and a commitment to serving constituents," says Eckardt's Web site.

For more information on Delegate Eckardt and her work in the political sector visit her Web site at www.addieeckardt.com

Salisbury receives All-America City Award

By Nick Lehwald
Staff Writer

This year, the city of Salisbury has been selected as a finalist for the 60th annual All-America City Award by the National Civic League. Awarded to only 10 cities every year, this is the first time since 1989 that Salisbury has participated in the competition. Winners are selected based on outstanding civic accomplishments in their communities.

Spearheaded by the city of Salisbury, the application process was chaired and orchestrated by SU psychology professor Dr. George Whitehead. The application process has not been simple, having taken two years to complete.

"It's just been me on campus," Whitehead said. "But it's been pretty much a stable group of people. There are areas where we didn't have the expertise, like crossing jurisdictional lines, so we asked people to meet with us."

The application submitted by Whitehead's committee highlighted three community projects that show the city's capacity for community-based problem solving, grassroots civic engagement and cooperation between public, private and nonprofit sectors.

The three projects include providing shelters for the homeless during the winter, helping residents lead healthier lives and promoting and encouraging youth leadership. Salisbury University had played a role in the three projects selected.

The projects that were specifically highlighted were SU's Healthy U program, which is a member of the Wicomico Nutrition and Physical Activity Coalition (WinPAC) and works to improve the health of Delmarva residents. Also included is the Community Emergency Shelter Project (CESP) which, started by SU's Social Work Department, uses local churches to provide overnight shelter and hospitality to homeless men during January through March. The last project to be featured is the Youth Leadership Academy, a three-day summer program based at SU which encourages community youth in grades eight to 11 to assume leadership positions in the community and provides an opportunity to develop positive and nurturing relationships with adults.

The All-America City Award is not given out until the end of the three-day competition, which is to be held during June 17 to 19 in Tampa, Fla.

"When we go to Tampa, we have to do a 10 to 20 minute presentation. Now we are trying to figure out what we want to do — something that will highlight the three projects that are in application," Whitehead said.



Adrienne Price photo

As part of the "Take Back the Night" vigil last Wednesday, students listened to guest speakers share their sexual assault experiences.

Take Back the Night cannot be rained on

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

The second annual "Take Back the Night" vigil honoring sexual assault survivors was a great success, according to Jennifer Berkman, SU's Director of Student Health Services.

"There were about 700 students this year, with a great turnout from the Greek organizations on campus, both sororities and fraternities," she stated.

This year the organizers reached out specifically to men, with an emphasis on getting them involved in recognizing violence toward women.

"It's important for men to not stand by when they see women being abused, and to know that that's not how you treat women," Berkman said.

Three guest speakers bravely took the platform on Wednesday evening to tell their stories of survival, and the reaction from the crowd was

palpable. "We even had counselors on hand during the vigil because the emotional reaction from the audience was so powerful, some had to leave," Berkman said.

Though sexual assault is the most underreported crime, the campus still sees between 10 to 20 cases per school year, said Berkman. "The feelings of guilt and shame, as well as the stigma associated with being victimized, may not subside even after a lot of time has passed, so many people wait weeks or months to report it."

One of the developments that has allowed for more counseling services is a sizable grant from the Department of Justice, which will allow for a new counselor who specializes in sexual assault. Many survivors feel that no one can relate to their story, so involving more reliable counselors is advantageous.

"The message of the evening was 'don't be silent,' and go to who feels most comfortable," Berkman said.

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Writers-on-the-Shore Series Continues

Salisbury University's Writers-on-the-Shore Spring Literary Series culminates with a reading by poet Ed Madden 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, in Fulton Hall Room 111. An artist-in-residence for the Palmetto Center for the Arts and writer-in-residence at the Riverbanks Botanical Gardens in Columbia, SC, Madden is an associate professor of English and associate director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program at the University of South Carolina. Sponsored by the English Department, admission is free and the public is invited.

SU Gospel Choir Concert

The Salisbury University Gospel Choir celebrates its 25th anniversary with a performance 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 2, in Holloway Hall Auditorium. Guest performers include Future Generation of Pocomoke City, Md.; Powerfield Youth of Cathedral of Love Ministries in Salisbury; and the Inspirations and Gospel Souls of Zion United Methodist Church of Federalburg, Md. The SU gospel choir is led by Debbie Johnson of the SU Bookstore. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Sounds and Soloists From Near and Far

From an SU composer-conductor to some of the greatest musicians to come from Vienna, the Salisbury University Department of Music celebrates melodies from around the globe during its "Sounds and Soloists From Near and Far" spring festival May 3 to 9 in the Holloway Hall Auditorium. The series begins with the University Choral 4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 3. Conductor Lee Knier continues the series 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, with the Salisbury Pops. The SU Jazz Brass Big Band, conducted by Dr. Jerry Tabor, takes the stage 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7, with guest performer Chris Vadala. The festival culminates with the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra's (SSO) annual Spring Concert 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9. Admission is \$20, but \$15 for seniors, and \$5 for children 12 and under. For tickets visit bookstore.salisbury.edu and click on "Box Office." As part of a League of American Orchestras drive, donations of non-perishable food to benefit the Maryland Food Bank are accepted at the concert. For more information call 410-548-5587 or visit the SU Web site at www.salisbury.edu.

Relay

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collegiate Relays in the nation," Liszkowska said.

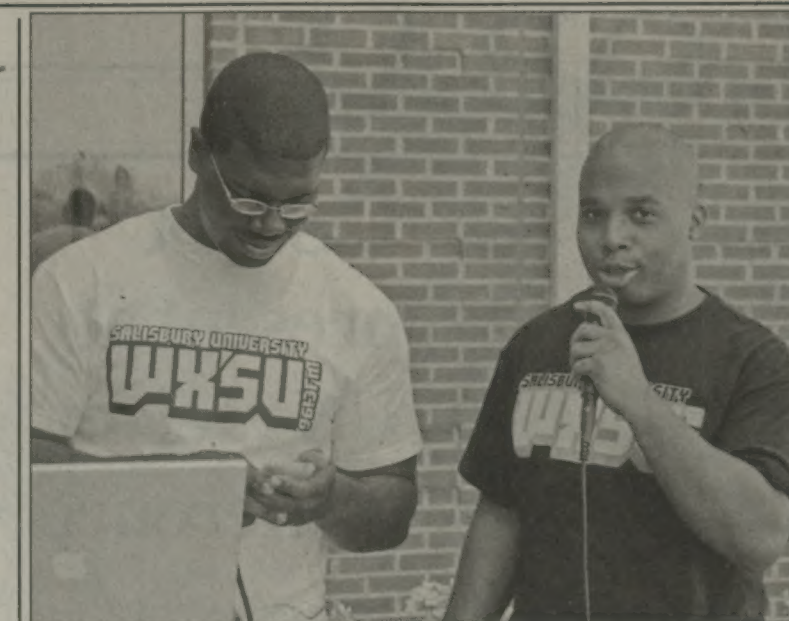
952 participants making up 99 teams of SU students, faculty, staff, families and community groups have pledged a total of \$36,481 in donations so far. The top five teams this year are Live Your Life, Cru, Athletic Training Club, G.O.T. 3 and The PanCan Caravan.

Salisbury has twice been proclaimed one of only 20 "Leaders of Hope" by Colleges Against Cancer, an American Cancer Society program that connects college students, faculty and staff from more than 300 campuses in the fight against cancer, Liszkowska said.

In 2008, Salisbury's CAC chapter won an Outstanding Advocacy Award, one of only six honors given nationwide, Liszkowska said.

The American Cancer Society is a community-based organization dedicated to eliminating cancer through efforts such as Relay for Life, which in the past 20 years has spread to more than 4,500 U.S. communities and 12 foreign countries. Anyone can donate to individuals and teams. To sign up for Relay for Life or purchase an "In memory of" or "In honor of" luminaria or riki torch, visit <http://www.relayforlife.org/su>.

For more information about this year's Relay, contact chairs Lauren Friedman and Ali Horkey at Relay4Life@salisbury.edu.



Kelly Robinson photo

WXSU's Fred Hobbs and Kalfani Blount gave out radio awards at Friday's block party, held as part of Media Week, in the ETC courtyard.

Comm students showcase work

By Matt Harhai
Staff Writer

The hard work of communication students was showcased April 22 to 25 during SU's first-ever Media Week. Guest speakers from local news outlets were there to support and inspire their future colleagues.

The purpose of Media Week is "to highlight and celebrate student achievement to give recognition to all the hard work the students in our department put forth each semester," said senior communication arts major Tim Yorro, who coordinated the event.

"We put in a lot of work, and it's time that people around this campus see the things we do," Yorro said.

On Wednesday, Marc Adamo and Elaine Athans from WMDT-47 and Don Elkins from WBOC-16 came to speak. There was an award ceremony held each night to recognize various students' hard work and achievements. SU-TV was on hand to tape the festivities. "Marc Adamo and Elaine Athans came in and spoke about how you need to have hunger and a drive to be in this business. You need to know what you want and go after it," Yorro said.

On Thursday, Julie De Young, public relations director of Perdue

Farms, and Sharahn Boykin, staff writer for the Daily Times, came to speak. De Young went over the ins and outs of public relations and how she came into her career, starting as a girl growing up on a farm in Iowa to her current position with one of the most prominent meat processing companies in the world. De Young has a very difficult job as the public relations coordinator of one of the most environmentally criticized companies in the Mid-Atlantic.

De Young's advice for anyone going into communications is simple. "Get your basics down, and write, write, write," De Young said.

Sharahn Boykin spoke passionately and honestly about her experiences in print journalism, specifically about covering the crime beat for *The Daily Times*. "I cannot imagine a job that is more fun than being a journalist," Boykin said.

Boykin advised students to establish relationships, pay attention to people's gestures and emotions, and then include that in reporting.

On Friday, special guest Sandi Alexander from Q105 came to speak. Awards were given out for students involved in radio. Saturday was focused on film, with a Future Film Makers Film Festival and special guest speaker Steve Young.



Brett Morgan photo

Irina Stoehr presents at Friday's SU Student Research Conference.

The conference took place on Friday, April 24, from 12:30 to 7:30 p.m. This year's conference was the biggest SUSRC yet, with several hundred people in attendance. Undergraduate and graduate students submitted presentations in the form of case studies, creative performances, portfolios and poster presentations.

Submissions this year, with topics ranging from science to history, included 276 student researchers and 190 presentations, a record-breaking number. "I'm always impressed with the diversity of the presentations. This year we have presentations in almost all academic departments," said SU President Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach. "We have been working on this event for years. It takes a lot of work to put on [an event] like this and we are expecting it to be our largest one yet," said Dr. Chrys Egan of the Communication Arts Department and a committee member since 2007.

Communications major Eric Janeway presented a narrative criti-

Parking

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Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Dane Foust has played an instrumental role in gathering information and developing the new parking policy at SU. When asked about the safety precautions for the new garage, Foust said, "The garage will be equipped with about 35-40 security cameras. The physical presence of a security guard is still up in the air, as we are still throwing around some ideas." Students interested in obtaining a parking permit for the upcoming year should continue to check their e-mail over the summer for more information.

Concert

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"It was my first time crowd surfing and it was awesome," said senior Jeff Richmond. "The moshing was pretty violent and was definitely an eye opening and aggressive experience, but still fun. I understand why they wanted us to stop because it was getting out of hand."

The staff worked hard to ensure everything ran smoothly and everyone had a good time. State Radio appreciated it.

"The hospitality staff has been amazing," Urmostom said. "We've never been asked so many times if there was anything else we needed. We feel like we were surrounded by Wendy Birds."

Earth

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ingness." Anticipation grew as it was announced the winner would be awarded a free iPod nano.

Five students approached the judging area. Logan Kaiser, a sophomore, seemed to have the contest all but won as he removed his cast from his left leg. His ankle and foot, which had broken and dislocated in March, literally looked dead. However, Mary Nopping arrived just in time to take Kaiser's almost certain victory. Her toes were covered in dirt, smelt of something unknown, and was topped off with a infected-looking band-aid.

"I've had smelly feet my whole life. I'm very proud," she said.

When asked about the smell, contest judge and SGA Grad Assistant Jill Petrosillo said, "It was indescribable."

Director

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we arrived at the best candidate for the position," Cowell said.

Both Cowell and Obert were excited to have Blackwell come in so soon.

"I am looking forward to joining the SU family," Blackwell said over the weekend.

Student and former SGA President Lili Afkhami, who was also on the search committee, said Blackwell will fit in at SU and has great ideas to contribute, but also wouldn't just

Crime Beat

04/17/09-04/18/09
8-5 p.m.

Theft
A student reported that her unattended laundry was stolen from the St. Martin laundry room.

04/20/09
10:50 a.m.

Verbal Argument
University Police were called to investigate a dispute between two students. A copy of the officer's report was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review.

04/21/09
6-9:50 p.m.

Theft
A student reported that his book bag and its contents were stolen while left unattended in the dining hall.

04/20/09-04/22/09
5:45-12:50 p.m.

Attempted Burglary
A faculty member reported that her Devilbiss Hall office door sustained damage from an attempted forced entry. The matter is under investigation.

04/22/09
10:10 p.m.

Student Code of Conduct Violation
University Police responded to a complaint of students shining laser pointers onto passersby from within Choptank Hall; one complainant reported that the device was pointed at his eyes. The offenders were identified and a copy of the police report was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review.

04/22/09
10:15-10:20 p.m.

Theft
A student reported that his unattended laptop computer was stolen from a room within Fulton Hall. The matter is under investigation.

come in and change everything night away.

"I think her vision is going to really benefit us as a University," said Afkhami, later adding, "She really seemed to care about all the students she interacted with."

Before Blackwell makes goals for what she specifically wants to do, she said she needs to learn more about the University and its students and also participate in campus programs.

"I believe my creativity, ingenuity, dedication and love of education will assist me in making a positive difference at SU," Blackwell said.

Cherokee LANES SPECIALS

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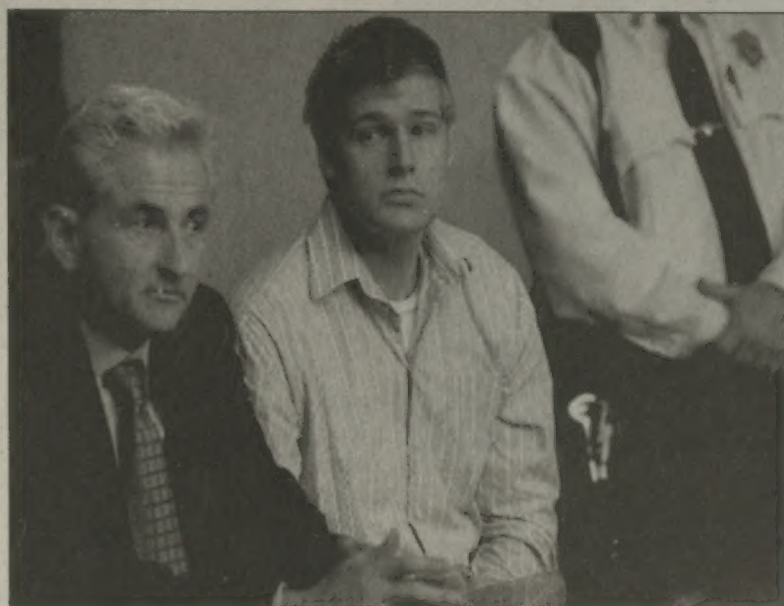
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Wednesday - 9:30 am to closing time
Thursday - 11am to closing time
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Boston student alleged Craigslist killer

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer



AP photo

Boston University medical student Philip Markoff sits through his arraignment in Boston Municipal Court last Tuesday.

The alleged "Craigslist Killer" was apprehended on Monday, April 20, after being discovered on video tape by Boston police. Philip Markoff, a 22-year-old Boston University medical student, will be arraigned on murder charges of 26-year-old New York masseuse Julissa Brisman. Markoff, who is described as an average Joe by neighbors, has no rap sheet, but police believe he has preyed on sex workers before.

Police also believe the armed robbery of a Las Vegas prostitute in a Rhode Island hotel connects back to Markoff. The student will also be charged with kidnapping and robbery in an attack just four days prior to the murder of Brisman. His first known attack was on April 10 where he tied

up and robbed at gunpoint a 29-year-old exotic dancer who advertised on Craigslist, taking her debit card and \$800 in cash. Four days later, Brisman was shot multiple times apparently because she fought the thief's attempts to restrain her with handcuffs.

The way Markoff supposedly found his victims is the way police caught the accused criminal, through his BlackBerry. After the murder, detectives from Boston and New York searched Brisman's computer for her message ads. E-mails from the suspect were also found, setting up her ill-fated meeting on April 14.

Through the messages, police were able to track Markoff's address and continued to watch him, noticing he looks much like the blonde man caught on several security cameras

leaving the crime scenes. Cell phone records linking his BlackBerry to Brisman and an earlier victim were also discovered.

Markoff pled not guilty to accusations of murder and robbery and has now been placed on suicide watch at the Suffolk County jail in Boston after a corrections officer found marks on his neck, suggesting he used shoelaces to try to hang himself.

The suspect is engaged to Megan McAllister, who refuses to comment on the murder charges. Several neighbors of Markoff said there was something not quite right about him.

"He was never really around much, and there was a creepy factor to it," said neighbor John Uva to the *New York Daily News*.

U.S. not present at UN racism conference

By Kelley Matney
Staff Writer

Last week, the United Nations held a racism conference in Geneva, Switzerland. Many countries were in attendance but there was a large exception: the United States.

The United States is one of nine countries, including Israel and Germany, boycotting the conference because of problematic language included in the meeting's final document that could possibly single out Israel for criticism, said the U.S. State Department.

The Obama administration had planned on attending. However, in February they had cautioned that they would not be present if considerable changes were not made to the document.

The removal of specific vital references to Israel and objectionable sections about the defamation of religion were negotiated. The text, however, still contains troubling statements that suggest support for restrictions on free speech, said State Department spokesperson Robert Wood in a news conference.

The choice to boycott the conference pleased many American organizations that support Israel; however, it distressed other organizations and many African-American groups who say the administration is not taking a momentous chance to correct past injustices.

In spite of this decision, Wood said the U.S. "is profoundly committed to ending racism and racial discrimination" and "will work with all people and nations to build greater resolve and enduring political will to halt racism and discrimination wherever it occurs."

"I am shocked and deeply disappointed by the United States' decision not to attend," said United Nations High Commissioner Navi Pillay in a statement. "A handful of states have permitted one or two issues to dominate their approach to this issue, allowing them to outweigh the concerns of numerous groups of people that suffer racism and similar forms of intolerance."

On Thursday, April 23, the fourth day of the conference, the United Nations kicked out three groups for improper behavior associated with the speech given by Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on opening day denouncing Israel.

The expulsion of members from the French Union of Jewish Students; Coexist, a related French-based organization that fights racism and anti-Semitism; and the Neda Institute for Political and Scientific Research, was just the latest sign of resentment towards Iran after the president's statement that the West has used the Holocaust as a "pretext" to destroy the Palestinians.

However, in spite of his speech, officials from around the world completed a consensus document on April 22 that calls for action against racism.

HISTORY CORNER

April 28
1996-In Tasmania, Australia, Martin Bryant goes on a shooting spree, killing 35 people and seriously injuring 21 more.
2001-Millionaire Dennis Tito becomes the world's first space tourist.

April 29
1974-In the Watergate Scandal, President Richard Nixon announces the release of edited transcripts of White House tape recordings.

1986-Roger Clemens, then of the Boston Red Sox, sets a major league baseball record with 20 strikeouts in nine innings against the Seattle Mariners.

April 30
1927-Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford become the first celebrities to leave their footprints in concrete at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood.
1993-The World Wide Web is born at CERN.

May 1
1956-The polio vaccine developed by Jonas Salk is made available to the public.
1989-Disney-MGM Studios opens at Walt Disney World near Orlando, Florida.

May 2
1885-Good Housekeeping magazine goes on sale for the first time.
2000-President Bill Clinton announces that accurate GPS access would no longer be restricted to the United States military.

May 3
1960-The Off-Broadway musical comedy, "The Fantasticks," opens in New York City's Greenwich Village, eventually becoming the longest-running musical of all time.
1999-Oklahoma City, Okla. is slammed by an F5 tornado killing 42 people, injuring 665, and causing \$1 billion in damage. The tornado was one of 66 from the 1999 Oklahoma tornado outbreak.

May 4
1886-Haymarket Square Riot: A bomb is thrown at policemen trying to break up a labor rally in Chicago, Illinois, killing eight and wounding 60. The police fire into the crowd.
2007-Greensburg, Kan. is almost completely destroyed by a 1.7 mile wide EF-5 tornado.

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Sri Lanka's president, Mahinda Rajapakse, has predicted the total defeat of the Tamil Tigers within a few days. The last remnants of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) are cornered in a patch of jungle on the island's northeast.

Sinhalese army nearly defeats Tamil Tigers

By James Asuquo-Brown
Staff Writer

After nearly 26 years of fighting for an independent ethnic Tamil homeland in northern Sri Lanka, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), also known as the Tamil Tigers, appear to be near defeat as the Sinhalese army continues its push into rebel-controlled areas. The LTTE has had nearly two-thirds of its controlled territory reduced to only 10 sq. kilometers (about 6 square miles) of coastal land. Thousands of civilians remain trapped in the north as the government seeks to crush the rebel movement that has been classified as a terrorist organization by 32 countries.

According to the United Nations,

roughly 6,500 civilians have been killed in fighting in the north in the past three months. The International Committee of the Red Cross is overseeing evacuations of the sick and wounded and has evacuated more than 1,300 patients from the battle zone in the last three days. The Sinhalese military says it has assisted more than 102,000 civilians fleeing rebel-held territory earlier this week as troops advanced.

LTTE leader Velupillai Prabhakaran and Tiger Organization Security Intelligence Service chief Pottu Amman are still in the country's northeast and have been hiding since January in a government-declared safe-zone for civilians after being driven out from their main bases.

On April 22, the United Nations Security Council urged the Tamil Tigers to surrender over concern for civilians caught in the hostilities and demanded they abandon terrorism and join political talks.

Many in the international community have called for a cease-fire, including UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon, saying on April 23 that he is dispatching a humanitarian team to monitor the "rapidly deteriorating situation" in the country. The LTTE is alleged to have been involved in the killings of 130 Sinhalese military officials and politicians, including Defense Minister Ranjan Wijeratne, President Ranasinghe Premadasa, Foreign Minister Lakshman Kadirgamar and Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Obama attempts to mend relations with past enemies, engages nations

By Eric J. Buratty
Staff Writer

President Obama is making his rounds in an attempt to define a new, trustworthy name for the U.S. Instead of creating further problems, part of his plan for gradual change is to reach out to past enemies of the U.S. These nations include several Latin American countries such as Cuba and Venezuela. Obama says the U.S. exemplifies true democratic leadership through displaying companionship towards these past foes.

For example, regarding Cuba, Obama decided to lift some restrictions on the ability of Cuban-Americans to visit and send money to their families. According to Obama, U.S. policy in Cuba over the last 50 years has not been successful, and these current gradual changes are a sign of progress.

"The fact that you had [Cuban President] Raul Castro say he's willing to have his government discuss with ours not just issues of lifting the embargo, but issues of human rights, and political prisoners... that's a sign of progress," Obama said.

Obama did not come to such terms of agreement in Venezuela; however, Obama's appearance with his leader Hugo Chavez certainly embodied his larger message of ignoring past arguments and respecting other democratic

governments even if their current economic and foreign policies are not agreed with.

When comparing Obama's actions to those of the Bush administration, the outstanding difference is that Bush favored a more isolated U.S. marked by unilateralism. According to Dr. Leonard Robinson of Salisbury University's Political Science Department, Obama's actions are necessary in order to establish a more secure U.S. than that left by the Bush administration.

"Given the failure of the Bush administration's strategy, it is prudent for President Obama to adopt a more nuanced foreign policy approach, one which explores the possibilities for diplomatic breakthroughs with states such as Cuba, Venezuela and Iran," Robinson said.

Obama's emphasis on showing how the U.S. democracy has a positive influence also received a positive reaction from [Nicaraguan President] Daniel Ortega, who is normally a critic of U.S. policy. As President Obama gradually proceeds in a new era of relations, he also promises to provide awareness for potential danger to these nations if and when danger arises. "Obama understands that, contrary to George Bush's view of the world, robust diplomacy is a sign of strength rather than weakness," Robinson said.

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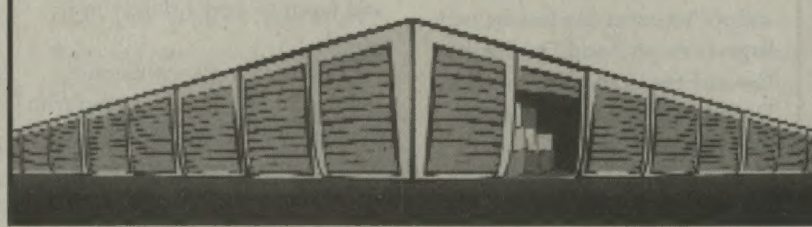
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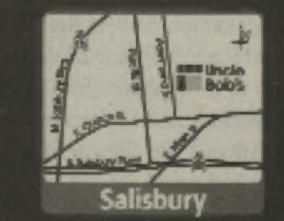
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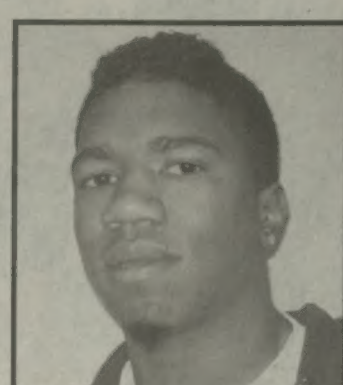
"She answered the question truthfully and honestly like they would expect her to. She is entitled to her own opinion."
Aisha Bryant - junior



"I feel as though her answer was sincere. She did not mean to offend anyone. I believe that her opinion should not have cost her the crown."
Antione Cuff - junior



"She should be entitled to her own opinion on gay marriage. Everyone is brought up differently to believe different things."
Alexa Uherek - sophomore



"I felt that her answer was honest, there are not right or wrong answers when it comes to opinion."
Jordan Hancock - junior



"I disagree with her answer because everyone is different and even though some people disagree, everyone deserves the right to be happy."
Tyler Wilkinson - freshman

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Miss California's answer should not cost her the crown

By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

When asked by Miss USA pageant judge Perez Hilton if she believed that every state should follow Vermont and legalize gay marriage, Miss California Carrie Prejean said that she feels marriage should be between a man and a woman. Some are saying that answer cost her the crown; some are even outraged she placed first runner up.

First of all, why was this even a question? This is highly controversial, and there is always going to be one person that does not agree with the answer given. The judges should have focused on other issues such as the economy and the environment and not asked a question they assumed



misscaliforniausa.com photo
Carrie Prejean lost the crown after voicing her opinion.

she would say yes to because she is from California. I also think the pageant judge who asked the question was biased. He is a gossip blogger who is also openly gay. Once again, did he just assume she would say yes because she is from California, which is a pretty liberal state? How can he get angry at an honest answer of her own personal beliefs and feelings?

Second of all, why wasn't he reprimanded for being offended, being biased, and not voting for her to win because she offended him? He said on his Web site that she lost because it was the worst answer in pageant history, she is a dumb b— and if she won he would have jumped on stage and took the crown off her head. Is he serious? Aren't pageant judges

supposed to be fair, even if the judge does not personally agree with the answer? She was asked a question and answered it from her heart and her beliefs instead of saying what she thought someone else wanted to hear just so she could gain points and possibly take home the crown. I do not think it was right that her answer cost her the crown.

Shouldn't a potential Miss USA be honest? Miss California still stands by her answer even with all the criticism she has received. Good for her.

The Miss America Pageant should either look into this matter further or in the future do not allow such questions to be asked. Better yet, do not have an openly gay judge ask a question about legalizing gay marriage.

Rookie salaries unfair to veterans

By Tripp Colonell
Staff Writer

Imagine an intern at a hospital being offered a larger salary than that of The Chief of Medicine before ever stepping foot in the hospital. It seems ridiculous, even for a student finishing top of their class from Harvard Med School. In the NFL, however, this has become all too common, and it's starting to sacrifice the integrity of the game.

In fact, for the past few years, the number one overall pick in the NFL draft has become the highest

paid player at their respective positions. Last year's number one overall, offensive tackle Jake Long, earned a higher salary in guaranteed money than multi-year pro-bowlers such as Walter Jones, Orlando Pace and Jason Peters. And who was the highest-paid tackle before Long? Joe Thomas of the Cleveland Browns, who was drafted third overall in 2007. While those guys have seemed to pan out for their respective teams so far, that isn't always the case.

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Letter to the Editor

Governor shows commitment to college affordability by pushing tuition freeze

It takes a bold leader to move forward even in difficult times. That's what Governor O'Malley has accomplished by committing to freezing undergraduate tuition at the University System of Maryland's (USM) institutions and Morgan State University for the fourth consecutive year.

The O'Malley-Brown Administration has kept college affordable for students thanks to this commitment to our students and working families. This means students who entered any of USM's institutions or Morgan four years ago will not see a penny's increase in their tuition from their first day on campus until they receive their degree. No other state in the nation has succeeded in doing this, particularly during these tough times, when it may have been easy to balance a budget on the backs of college students and their families.

Governor O'Malley has put families first by fighting for affordable college, protecting the safety net for working families, protecting our environment, maintaining fiscal responsibility in tough times and investing in education. His brave commitment to the tuition freeze for the fourth consecutive year has been noted by his colleagues in State Houses across the country.

Going to college gives both students and their families a tremendous feeling of pride and achievement. It is a great dream that most of Maryland's families and children begin to prepare for years in advance. However, with the excitement of going off to college come several fears. Will I fit in? Will I have a productive experience that will prepare me for a job in the world's ever-growing competitive economy? How will my professors react to my ideas, my ideals? And of course, how will I pay for college?

By freezing tuition for the past four years, Governor O'Malley has alleviated much of the concern about affordability—especially during the present economic downturn. Freezing tuition when the nation is going through its worst economic crisis since the Great Depression is, while difficult, an investment that has moved Maryland from the sixth most expensive state in the nation to go to college to what is expected to be the eighteenth next year.

It took great vision, leadership, and unwavering commitment by the O'Malley-Brown Administration to achieve this remarkable goal for our families. James E. Lyons, Sr. Secretary of Higher Education

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Proof: Iraqis don't hate us!

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) began in March 2003. Whether you classify it as war, occupation, a peacekeeping mission, or a malady, chances are you had limited information to make your decision.

Whether you believe this or not, the testimony most often ignored is directly from the Iraqi people. I don't recall many Iraqi people being interviewed by mainstream media sources in the past. In fact, nothing resembling a story has emerged from Iraq unless it was saturated with carnage. While the news media is first-rate at running American troop death tickers, they often disregard substantial news. So while Iraqis make strides to rebuild their country, it hasn't counted as news,

unless blood is spilled. Mainstream news has been passionately advertising Islamofascists' suicide bombings, public service announcements, and IED attacks until now!

The New York Times recently decided to shift their OIF news lens from Pro-choice American, to Pro-New Administration. After all, midterm elections at home and the 2011 combat troop withdrawal dates abroad are approaching. God forbid The Times jeopardize the lives of American troops in the era of hopeful change.

Ali al-Hilli from Baghdad was interviewed by The Times on his new startup car business of selling Hummers. Ali sells the trucks for \$50,000 to \$60,000 a piece, cash, and Iraqis love them. Ali says fire engine red and canary yellow are the flashy customer favorites. As Ali is pho-

tographed by The Times, he sits in his own H3 and puffs away on a cigarette. The brand of the cig is most likely a Miami (Iraqis love American products and anything western-themed). Finally, there's a valid story from The Times about what Iraqis are really up to.

A pricey American SUV is a status symbol, and one of which Iraqis are proud. The best part is where the styling of the Hummer comes from, the U.S. Army Humvee. You had better believe the Iraqi people know what the H2 and H3 are modeled after. Would a people who were brutalized and terrified by the American Military line up to purchase a truck directly modeled after its U.S. Army counterpart? Now that the Iraqi people are represented in the national depiction of their nation, the light of reality will shine through.



AP photo

At the April 17 Summit of the Americas, President Barack Obama warmly embraced Venezuelan president Hugo Chavez, a gesture that has outraged conservative Americans.

The handshake that shook the world

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

On April 17, President Barack Obama, while at the Summit of the Americas, did something that has enraged conservatives. Obama, when approached by Hugo Chavez, congenially smiled and shook hands with the Venezuelan president. Chavez, who has been known for his strong rhetoric against the United States and former President Bush, also presented Obama with a gift, a leftist history book, which Obama accepted. Some conservatives, such as Newt Gingrich and former Vice President Dick Cheney, have criticized Obama for his cordiality, saying that such friendliness makes America look weak and legitimizes Chavez's less than democratic regime in Venezuela.

Obama, in defense of the handshake, said that "it's unlikely that as a consequence of me shaking hands or having a polite conversation with Mr. Chavez that we are endangering the strategic interests of the United States."

In this case, President Obama is correct. Ignoring the fact that Venezuela's military budget is less than a hundredth that of the U.S., there is an importance

about the handshake that transcends strategic calculations.

The world is changing. This change is not because of Obama's election, but instead is part of a global rebalancing of power. While the United States remains the world's sole superpower and will be so for the foreseeable future, the rest of the world is coming into its own.

The time for the United States to ignore countries that we disagree with is over. The United States cannot dictate to the rest of the world how to behave. Ignoring countries because they dislike us or espouse different views than we do is hardly a sound foreign policy. It's the foreign policy of the petty and insecure. It's the foreign policy of the past, when Washington could conceivably convince most of the other countries of the world to march to the beat of its drum.

Again, the United States is still the world's sole superpower and will continue to wield the corresponding power and influence of such a position for many decades into the future. But it is necessary for the United States to carry that mantle responsibly and maturely. The U.S. must lead by example and must discuss and debate with the rest of the world how to solve the problems that face all of us.

Energy drinks damage long-term health

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

Red Bull, Amp, 180, Adrenaline Rush, Monster and Sobé—what do they all have in common? They are the newest thing among today's high school and college generation. These energy drinks are known for keeping college students up to study, are taken before games to enhance athletes for better performance and mixed with vodka to stay up and party longer. So what is so bad about drinking them? The answer: your health.

Americans spend millions of dollars a year consuming these energy drinks. The drinks contain vitamins,

amino acids, sugar and caffeine. They do, however, increase heart rate and blood pressure which can lead to dehydration and, in some cases, death. While these drinks contain vitamins and amino acids, much of the effect is purely sugar and caffeine.

Energy drinks do prevent people from sleeping and allows them to finish writing a paper or studying for a test, but that means people crash and fall asleep for long amounts of time after consuming the drink. Energy drinks do enhance the performance of an athlete but only for a short amount of time and causes dehydration. Energy drinks also allow people to consume larger quantities of alcohol but results in dangerously high

blood alcohol counts. So, with all the adverse effects what is so great about drinking to gain energy? Health officials are seriously considering banning these drinks. Not only are they extremely poor for your health, but children are able to buy them and start drinking them at younger ages.

People do not realize how dangerous these energy drinks are. Even though they may "help" in the short-term the effect is far worse than what we expect. Our culture is slowly moving towards finding ways to feed our bodies with substances in order to finish something or be better—what happened to hard work, determination and perseverance to reach a goal?

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Salisbury student's novel published

Submitted photo
Holly BogleBy Casey Wachter
Staff Writer

"The Unforgiven," a novel written by an SU student, was published and released in stores this week. Holly Bogle, a sophomore English major with a creative writing concentration and Spanish minor, spent six years creating this novel.

"The book is about a vengeful serial killer who leaves enigmatic notes at every crime scene. Two homicide detectives (Jason and Robyn) are left to decipher these notes and solve the murders. There are several other connected story lines in the novel, and yes, there's a little romance too," Bogle said.

"The best part about writing this novel was creating these characters. After a while, they seem to develop a life of their own and the scenes play out not according to what I'd like to happen, but to what the characters would or would not do in that particular situation. I even have dreams about them occasionally," Bogle said.

Bogle said that the publishing process takes a full year. "You've got to submit it to a company and wait three or four months to hear back from them. Once that hap-

pens, editing begins. This is the longest process because you have to send it to the editor several times, who sends it back until you get it right. Then you go to layout where you work with an artist to create a cover, and then you go to marketing," Bogle said.

After this novel, Bogle said there are three sequels and a spin-off she is currently working on.

"Rolling the Die" is her next book, and it will continue the story of Jason and Robyn in Atlantic City. "I've also got notes for a fantasy novel and three memoirs, and I write short stories constantly. I'm literally obsessed with writing," Bogle said.

Writing a novel and getting it published is an immense accomplishment for a college student.

"It's really wild. Getting a novel published has been a goal of mine since I was just a kid and now that it's happened, and people are asking me to sign their books, I feel like I'm in a dream! I still blush! I think that college is a wonderful place to start out as an author because so many people support you," Bogle said.

"Holly easily wove an intricate plot of intrigue, suspense, and even a love story without being predictable or lost in her own world," said Bogle's editor, Angela Faulkner, from Tate Publishing and Enterprises.

Bogle is a twenty year old from Damascus, Md. Both Bogle and her sister go to Salisbury and live at home with their parents and dogs during the summer. According to Bogle, she spends most of her time outside reading, writing, swimming or hiking.

To order "The Unforgiven" online, visit www.webstarts.com/the-unforgiven. Also, Bogle will be selling books in Red Square from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on April 29.



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To kick off Multicultural Festival Week, participants act out a spontaneous skit during Monday's workshop hosted by The Quest: Arts for Everyone Deaf Acting Troupe. Over 40 students, staff, faculty and community members attended and participated in the event.

Visual theatre workshop promotes Deaf culture

By Amanda Durski
Staff Writer

The imaginative workshop of Quest, a diverse artistic group, has been experienced around the world by countries such as Japan, India, Romania and South America. On Monday, April 27, Salisbury University had the pleasure of hosting the troupe and its expressive performers as a part of Multicultural Festival Week.

Quest is a program which establishes a prominent relationship between the disabled and art communities. Through their programs and plans, they strive to overcome the various obstacles that the disabled come across in trying to become professional artists.

"The goal of Quest is to promote understanding and help people reach their full potential," said Tim McCarthy, founder and president of Quest. "It is about finding a com-

mon ground and then creating works of excellence."

The program provides disabled performers with artistic opportunities in employment, education and training.

One such opportunity is the acting troupe workshop that took place in the Wicomico Room. The group of deaf and hard-of-hearing performers used their talents to reveal the body as an expressive means of contact. Visual communication was key to all in attendance.

The workshop was completely hands-on. Participants were encouraged to use their entire body as a tool for communication. Speech through gestures and signals was how thoughts and ideas were exchanged. Various exercises promoted the use of one's imagination and creativity.

The importance of visual arts in today's society became apparent throughout the workshop. "Visual arts cut across both lan-

guage and cultural barriers. We have been to twenty-two different countries, and our form of communication did not change," McCarthy said. As well as cutting across barriers, the Quest workshop introduced the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing culture to students and faculty.

"We believe very much in the Disability Support Services that there is a culture within disabilities, especially the Deaf culture. If you think about it, culture is defined as shared experiences, shared language and shared behaviors. Quest was a great way to demonstrate this concept and allow students to learn about the visual theater," said Nikki Dyer, Director of Student Disabilities and Support Services.

Through the visual arts, students of every discipline and background were able to learn a little about the Deaf culture and communication through use of the body.

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SU Dance Company dazzles in annual spring dance concert

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Last week the SU Dance Company hosted their annual Spring Concert from April 22 to 25 in Holloway Hall.

Students, faculty, staff and members of the community took their seats in the auditorium patiently anticipating the performance.

The show began with a dance titled "Carmen Variations," choreographed by Mary Norton, SU's artistic director.

The black and red skirts flattered members of the company as the team danced in front of a festive red background and dazzled the audience with flowers in their hair and exquisite ballet steps.

The most energetic piece was titled "Mercy," by pop artist Duffy. Performers in the company split up into two groups, one of which portrayed a group of guys who wore suspenders, tube socks and glasses, labeled the "nerds" who tried so desperately to win over the group of girls.

"I especially enjoyed the dance to the song 'Mercy,'" said Jordan Blades, a junior at SU. "As a commuter student, I am not on campus much to partake in the fun activities. I hope to again next semester."

Another highlight of the performance was the dance put on by the adjudicated 2008 showcase winners, which was choreo-



Kelly Robinson photo

The SU Dance Company's annual Spring Concert was held April 22 to 25. In the piece "Mercy," some performers portrayed a group of "nerds." Other pieces, such as "Carmen Variations," were also performed.

graphed by Katie Erdman. Red, yellow and blue ribbons swarmed around Erdman and the other recipients as they danced to a song by The Talking Heads. Erdman is a senior with a double major in math and secondary education with a minor in dance. She also holds a Maryland Distinguished Scholar: Talent in the Arts honor for dance.

A solo act was put on by Dylan Pierce, who danced to a song titled "What Becomes of the Brokenhearted," by Jimmy Ruffin. Pierce, a freelance teacher, is a

choreographer and performer. He has been featured in off-Broadway performances, commercials and television as well as the Walt Disney World Christmas Show and cruise line performances.

"Fierce, Fast and Free," was the finale, which included the entire SU dance company.

Senior company member Jenna Makris had a lot to say about this year's concert. Makris has been a member for the past seven semesters and is sad to say farewell to the company.

"I have been fortunate enough

to have choreographed two dances for the Dance Company," Makris said.

"Time of my Life" is a very special dance for the graduating seniors. I think it reminds us of our time on the team and even though we are moving on in life, we will always remember our memorable times we shared together," she said.

The company began in 1960 as the Modern Dance Club and is recognized as an Outstanding Student Organization for its community service.

Blackwell Library celebrates poetry

By Ashlee Laughlin
Staff Writer

The month of April is National Poetry Month, established by the Academy of American Poets. Celebrated in April since 1996, this month encourages everyone to rejoice within the realm of poetry and literary expression. Libraries across the nation celebrate this month by hosting readings, festival activities and workshops.

Blackwell Library kicked off this month with several initiatives to produce a display of poetry works provided by SU students and librarians as well as nationally acclaimed poets such as Maya Angelou and countless others.

Moushumi Chakraborty, the Head of Public Services at Blackwell Library, decided to recognize Poetry Month by advertising with a poster to create awareness of the celebration and, with the encouragement of several students and staff members, Chakraborty came up with the perfect idea to share poetry with SU.

"I wanted to share with Salisbury students to take a break from studying and writing papers to enjoy some poetry. It is like a breath of fresh air," Chakraborty said. She and her night staff graciously constructed bookmarks with poetry from writers like Robert Frost and William Blake. Blackwell Library also added a Web page specifically dedicated

to sharing the history behind National Poetry Month, a "Share a Poem" Notebook section where faculty and student contributors added their favorites to the page, as well as an updated "Poem of the Day."

Focusing on poetry for the entire month is the mission of the library staff. This is SU's first year celebrating National Poetry Month, but not its last.

"We plan on doing this again next year," Chakraborty said. Chakraborty would like to thank several of her staff members, including Leigh Ann DePope, who submitted her personal photography to accompany the display of poetry pieces; Martha Zimmerman, who both wrote her own poetry and submitted her mother's compilation of poetry for display; and Kathryn Kalmanson, who put together the biographies for the poetry display. She would also like to thank the circulation students as well as her night staff for assisting in various assignments to make this month a success.

If you would like to submit your favorite piece of poetry, please contact Moushumi Chakraborty at mchakraborty@salisbury.edu or visit the Web site at <http://www.salisbury.edu/library/information/poetry/index.html>.

S.O.A.P. weekly events

Comedian Aries Spears
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Movie: "Paul Blart: Mall Cop"
Friday, May 1: 7 p.m. in Caruthers
Saturday, May 2: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Caruthers
Sunday, May 3: 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. in Holloway



Car Wash for Kids of Honor



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On April 19 students from Paula Morris' advertising and promotions marketing 331 class hosted a car wash at Thirsty's Exxon Gas Station. The project's purpose was to have the students plan an event and promote it in various ways. One of the group members Zach Evans said the group had been working on promotions for over a month. During the event WMDT Channel 47 interviewed Ava Javson, another member of the group. The students teamed up with the Men's Club Lacrosse team and washed over 35 vehicles. The proceeds, totalling above \$300, were split in half and donated to Student Activities Relay for Life Team and Men's Club Lacrosse Team. Students want to thank every who participated.

"I'm a freshman and can't help but wonder if transferring is the right choice for me. You see, when I first came to school it was a lot of fun. What I mean is going out on the weekends and drinking. Now that the semester is over, I'm not so much into partying. Would I be making the wrong choice to transfer?"

If you're tired of drinking, it's safe to assume there are thousands of others out there who feel the same. Give it another year before heading out. The sober people are out there — in classes, in organizations, at the gym, in the residence halls and at parties. They're just harder to find because they aren't as loud and annoying.

Before transferring, make sure you've done everything you can to adjust. Yeah, you can always transfer to a place where you already have friends, but that's too easy. If after a year you want to leave, then go. Just make sure you know why you're going; otherwise you might transfer the problem with you.

What's Cooking?

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

As I'm sure you are well aware, the weather this weekend was stunning. The sun, awakening from a long winter, and early spring rain, was a pleasant and much-needed respite. On days when the mercury rises without pause, and your skin burns from merely the thought of venturing outdoors, a cold refreshing beverage is essential to placate the heat and your ensuing thirst.

To satiate your need for refreshment on scorching spring and summer days, keep handy a batch of my favorite Berry Lemonade. One of the many thirst quenching qualities of this drink on a hot spring day is the pas de deux of sweet berries and tart lemon. There is no better way to quench your thirst than the resulting sanguine tranquility of this combination. The blackberries and strawberries, with a touch of cane or raw sugar not only add a bold red color, but also lend their natural sweetness to leave you wanting a second glass. Strawberries are on sale this week at Giant and Super-fresh, and I generally use frozen blackberries from Giant.



Berry Lemonade

1 1/2 - 2 cups strawberries (fresh or frozen)
1/2 cup blackberries
Juice of 3-4 lemons
Juice of 1 lime
1/4 - 1/2 cup organic cane sugar or Turbinado sugar or Agave Nectar
1 1/2 quarts water

Method:

1. In 2 quart pitcher (or larger), juice the lemons and lime, and then add the water.

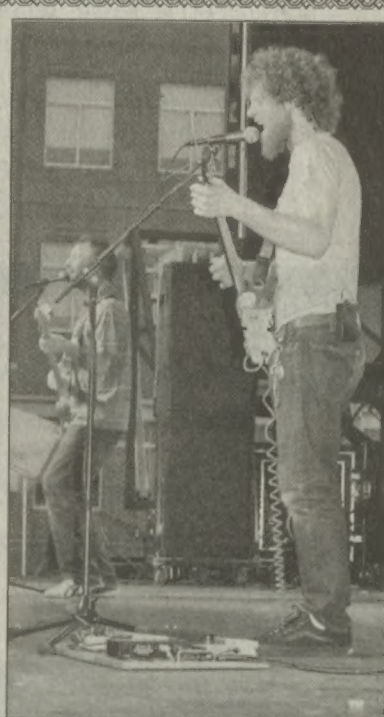
2. In a blender, add strawberries, blackberries, 1/4 cup of sugar and a bit of water/ juice mixture. Blend until smooth.
3. Add berry mixture to juice/ water mixture and stir well until combined. Use the lemon juice/ water mixture to rinse all of the berries out of the blender.
4. Add a bit more sugar, berries or lemon juice to taste. I generally like mine on the tart side so I go heavy on the lemon/ lime juice. You can also add a bit of fresh mint for an additional level of flavor.

Recipes for a tight budget

From the Photo Bank:
What's Happening On Campus

Sarah Wright photo

Ballet performers dance to "Stars and Stripes Forever" downtown at Salisbury Festival last Saturday.



Sarah Wright photo

State Radio's lead singer Chad Urnstrom was a hit at Gull Fest.



R. L. Pusey photo

Freshman Samantha Livingston drops her "green" wish in the anti-Kimberly Clark toilet at Wednesday's Earth Day festivities.



Adrienne Price photo

SGA executive staff members Pat Gotham, Bobby Audley, Julia Glanz and Hayley Eiland planted a tree at the Scarborough Leadership Center Thursday, bringing an end to Wednesday's Earth Day festivities.



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Artist Casey Foltz poses with his work at the opening reception of his display last Friday in the Atrium Gallery of the GUC.

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"My boyfriend is way too close to his sister. She calls all the time just being nosy. It was OK for a while, but now it has gone too far. He does things for her that I don't even think he'd do for me. I can't stand it! She only calls me and is only nice to me when she needs something. What do I do?"

Try thinking of the situation as a positive thing that he respects the women in his family. This is a good thing. Besides, he might like his sister being involved. If you aren't OK with that, maybe you and he should each find someone else.

Instead of telling him what to do, ask him why she's so involved. Ask him if he likes it. Ask him if he's ever had problems with other relationships because of his sister. Clearly, he doesn't see the problem. By asking him, he can understand what you see. And then, if it's something that he thinks he needs to change, he can change it. Otherwise, I'd plan on not dating him. Blood is thicker than water; she will win.



Sarah Wright photo

Local children enjoy a ride at the Salisbury Festival last weekend. Held in downtown Salisbury, this year's 27th annual festival had a large turnout. Salisbury University RAs worked at the three-day event.

Salisbury Festival offers family fun for Delmarva residents

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

From April 24 through 26, eager Delmarva locals turned out for one of the most well-known and popular annual attractions in Salisbury, the Salisbury Festival. This is the 27th year the Salisbury Festival has run, serving the local community by providing entertainment the whole family can enjoy.

Weather was of large concern as the past week Salisbury experienced dramatic shifts in temperature, but the festival was set to occur rain or shine. Despite the almost 90 degree weather during Saturday's festival hours, there was quite a large turnout. Naturally, when trying to accommodate the enormous influx of locals and a crowd well over 1,000 people on Saturday, parking was no easy feat.

"I really hope the Salisbury police don't ticket the Ramada Inn parking lot," said Bo Abbott, an attendee

from Laurel, Del. Many patrons did park in vacant areas, however, and there was little to no retribution from the respective authorities.

Directing the flow of traffic was a detail that needed to be well thought out and planned. Having worked together with Housing and Residence Life Director Dave Gutoskey in the past, it was agreed Salisbury resident assistants would volunteer to work as "traffic controllers, security, and helping out with the overall flow of the festival," said Shannon Mitchell, Director of Events for the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce.

"I felt like I was able to connect with the community," said Nanticoke RA Allison Toller.

In 1982, the first Salisbury Festival was held and to date has showcased hundreds of local organizations and businesses, including Habitat for Humanity and the NAACP.

"[It has] become a common tradition," Mitchell said, "in which local nonprofit organizations are able to

fundraise, promote and spread awareness." Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the City of Salisbury, Comcast and other vendors, the Salisbury festival caters to everyone, yet there is still one vast population that seemed absent: Salisbury University students.

Aside from the RAs volunteering and SU's mascot Sammy the Seagull, students were scarce during the Festival.

"I was getting CDs from the library and I saw [the festival] and I didn't know what to expect," said junior Jeff Boyd after witnessing the arts, crafts, rides, music and entertainment.

Aspirations for future improvements to the Salisbury Festival include expanding the hours as well as a push to be more environmentally green. Better advertising to University students could be in this master plan as well, although even with an absence of students, the attendance of locals is only expected to grow.

Weekly Greek News

Viva las greek week champs, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Sigma Tau



R. L. Pusey photo

ZTA sister Hannah Wood pushes Natalie Amorati in a race against time to beat out other participants in Greek Week.

By Cara Barrett
Staff Writer

This year's Las Vegas-themed Greek Week, "Welcome to Fabulous SU Greek Week," came to a conclusion this past Friday. Greek Week kicked off with revealing each fraternity and sorority's Las Vegas-themed banner along with karaoke and other musical performances. Along with the competitive games of football, soccer and dodgeball, there was also a casino night with card games, appropriately fitting the Las Vegas theme. Greek Week came to a close with the crowd-drawing events of tug of war in the Quad, pie eating and the barbecue at Scarborough Leadership Center, where the results of the week were announced.

The brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon, also known as Sig Ep, and the sisters of Alpha Sigma Tau were the Greek Week 2009 Champions. In the past, Sig Ep has won Greek Week consecutively from 2005 to 2007. Randy McFadden, a brother in Sig Ep, said that his favorite part about Greek Week is the "month leading up to Greek Week... We practiced every week and it was good hanging out with the guys in my pledge class but

also the new guys as well; they were a big part of our team. It brought everyone closer together." McFadden's favorite event was football and "winning football this year was a big boost and the [Sig Ep] guys wanted to make it a point to come in first for that sport."

Greek Week isn't just a week of games and competition, but a way to raise awareness and advocate for certain causes. The Panhellenic Council's philanthropic events for this year involve raising awareness of sexual violence against women. In doing so, Panhellenic wanted to make sure it was a participant in the "Take Back the Night/Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" events. These two events were held together, and each took a stand in advocating for an end to violence against women, especially sexual violence.

These organizations also want to encourage women who have been affected by sexual violence to break the silence in order to get others to do the same. Due to the rain Wednesday evening, participants did not march around campus as in the past but there were emotional stories shared by survivors along with a song from a local church pastor and thoughts shared by SU faculty.



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SAE brother Termain Bullock pushes Ben Muell in Friday's Chariot Race. Greek Week's theme was Casino Night.

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It's a kaleidoscope of culture all week long

By Ashlee Laughlin
Staff Writer

The annual Multicultural Festival begins on Monday, April 27 at Salisbury University and is sponsored by Multicultural Student Services. This week will include several cultural activities around campus and several performances.

On a yearly basis, Director of Multicultural Student Services Vaughn White and Administrative Assistant Andrea Wheatley, as well as the staff and organizations of the Multicultural Student Services, come together to celebrate and educate the Salisbury community of the many cultures that exist on our campus. This year's "Kaleidoscope

of Culture" includes a day of festivities on University Hill and in the Gazebo from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday with performances by the SU Gospel Choir, Keith Marks and the Untouchables, to name a few. The following day there will be a Diversity Awards Ceremony beginning at 3 p.m. and to end the week of festivities, there will be a Caribbean Dinner located in the Bistro featuring the Steel Kings.

"The Multicultural Festival is an event that I love to participate in every year," said Elliott Royal, who is affiliated with the Untouchables Dance, Inc. and Casser Le Moule modeling troupe. Each year Multicultural Student Services does its best to show their appreciation for all of Salisbury's minority students and faculty members.

"The multicultural festival is a time where all of the organizations, through Multicultural Student Services, get together and celebrate the hard work we have all put in throughout the year," Carooq Taylor said.

Taylor also discussed how Casser Le Moule looks forward to the yearly Diversity Awards Ceremony. "As an executive board mem-



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Toby Foyeh and the Orchestra Africa will be performing on Tuesday, April 28 at 8 p.m. in the Wicomico Room of the GUC.



Submitted photo

On Wednesday, April 29 local vendors will be displaying a wide variety of unique jewelry, tapestries, and other arts and crafts. This year's Multicultural Week theme is "A Kaleidoscope of Culture."

ber of CLM, I particularly enjoy acknowledging our student models by giving out awards. It is always a humbling experience to take part in this event," Taylor said.

This week's festival is sponsored by the Cultural Affairs Office, the Office of the President, SGA, SOAP, Office of Diversity, Cultural Affairs and several other groups and organizations.

Unordinarily — S(h)ane

Scraping the bucket for jobs

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

The spring semester brings more than just tans and allergies. Most of us are working, going home, interning, or of all horrors, graduating! We've come so far, yet at this point, taking in to account the state of the job market, that perfect job may seem a little far-fetched. Even that backup plan may be a fantasy in the world of college students gone jobless. If the job market were a breadline, the graduating seniors would be fighting tooth and nail for a scrap of bread and soup. Even my friends seem to be struggling, and so I wondered, if April showers bring May flowers, then why is it that it may rain in May as well?

As pessimistic as it may seem, it is tougher to find a job that pays decently for starting positions, as well as with benefits, but a few things can make all the difference. In a nutshell, two of the most important things are to network and communicate. By networking, you

increase your job search because most companies may not list job openings or because you would hear them first with good connections.

Secondly, communication is key. Instead of waiting for the employer to call you, don't be afraid to lunge. Take the first step and be professionally assertive. Take initiative and call them to check on the status of your résumé.

And most important of all, don't ever say "never." Although it is important to set high goals and shoot for the stars, you may end up with a job that's different than what you had anticipated or wanted, but consider that you could be gaining experience for the next job you apply for, as well as increasing your networking. Despite the gray skies and burning optimism, a combination of these tips and professional consultations and advice, such as Career Services, a post-graduate starting position can be within your grasp. They say a bird in the hand is worth more than two in the bush.

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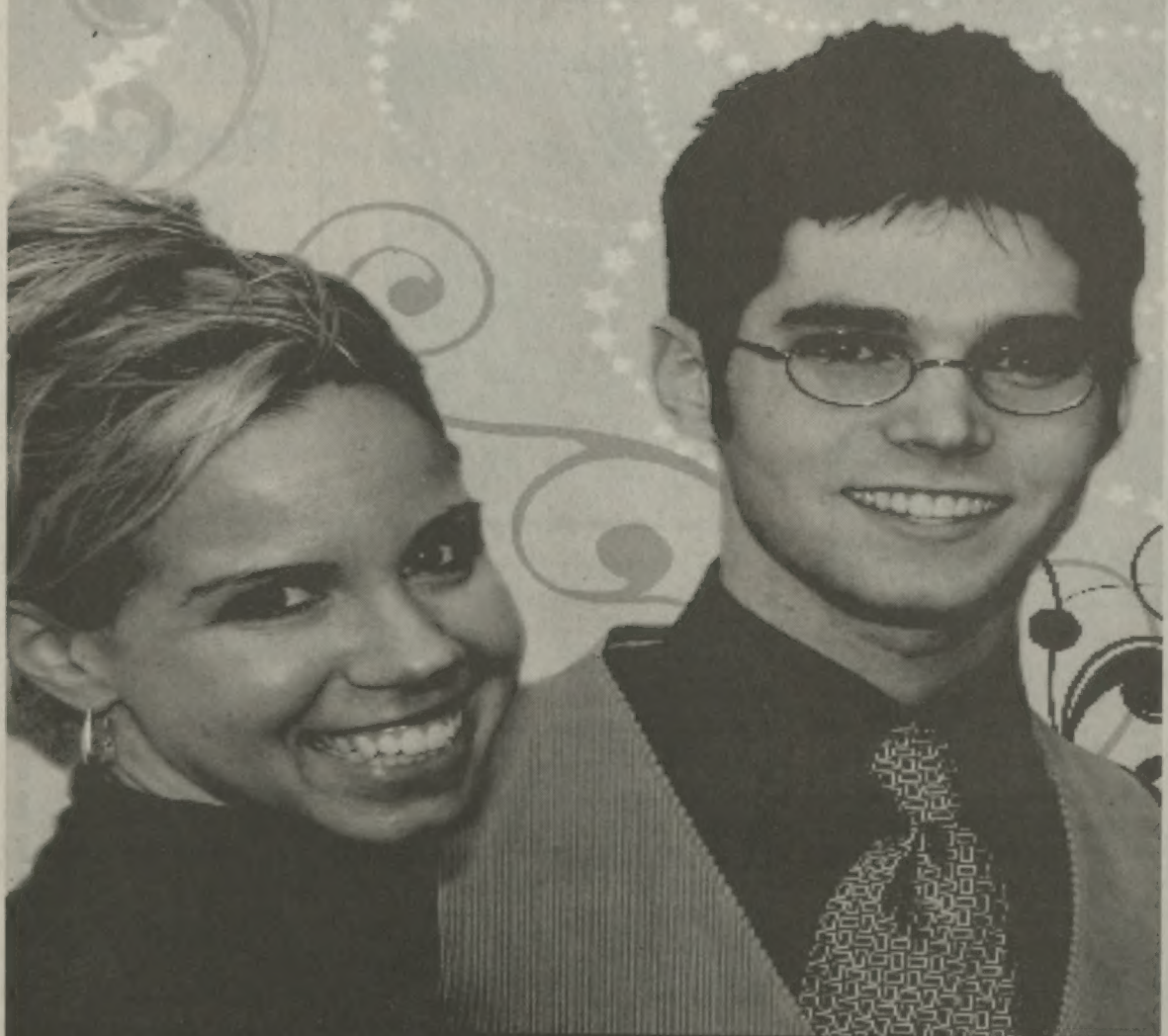
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SU wins at WAC, earns sixth straight Clark Cup

By Tom Watson
Staff Writer

It was a hot spring day in Chestertown, Md., and fans packed into Roy Kirby, Jr. Stadium — setting a new attendance record of 2,511 — while hundreds more crowded around the fences. The smell of smoked meat and barbecue filled the air as students from both Salisbury University and Washington College watched the War on the Shore.

The No. 5 SU men's lacrosse team edged out rival Washington College 12-11 on a game-winning goal by senior All-American Kylor Berkman. This was Salisbury's ninth straight victory over the Shoremen, and in an all-time series they lead 23-19. SU has won every Charles B. Clark Cup, better known in the student population as the War on the Shore, since its inception in 2004.

Charles Clark, a National Lacrosse Hall of Famer, coached at

both Salisbury and Washington during his career.

Washington College (9-6) scored just two minutes into the game, but Salisbury (15-3) answered back with three quick goals to take the lead. Nearing the end of the first quarter, Washington scored to close the gap to 3-2. Salisbury answered back on an extra-man goal (3-5 on the day) by junior Mike Winter (three goals) to go ahead again by two, but WAC was not stirred, scoring on the following face-off to close the gap again, making it 4-3 at the end of the first quarter.

It looked like the Shoremen had the momentum heading into the second period, but the Sea Gulls held them off, playing patient offense and possessing the ball, resulting in four Salisbury goals to Washington's one, making it 8-4 at the half.

WAC made a charge in the third quarter to fight back into the game as the Shoremen scored four goals in the first four minutes of the

quarter to tie the game 8-8. Berkman (four goals, one assist) ended that run with a goal at the 9:20 mark, making it 9-8.

WAC tied the game again with 2:33 left in the quarter, but Berkman was there to answer, scoring his third goal of the period on an extra-man opportunity with 28 seconds left in the third. Washington was not finished however, scoring to end the quarter as the teams headed into the fourth period tied 10-10.

The Shoremen took their first lead of the game since the opening minutes on a man-up goal less than two minutes later, making the score 11-10; however this would be Washington's final lead. Sophomore Erik Krum scored off an assist from Berkman tying the game at 11. Then, with 4:34 remaining, Berkman showed why he is the CAC player of the year, scoring to give the Gulls the lead of 12-11. Then Salisbury played keep away and ran out the clock to take the



Tom Watson photo

SU went up the road to defeat rival WAC in War on the Shore on Saturday. Kylor Berkman scored the game-winning goal.

Clark Cup.

Salisbury split the face-off margin with Washington, each winning 13. WAC out-shot and picked up more ground balls than SU. Salis-

bury also had 25 turnovers, but sophomore goalie Johnny Rodriguez had 12 saves on the day, with four coming in the fourth quarter.

Fleetwood wins 300, chases national championship

By Jonathan Murga
Staff Writer

Salisbury baseball coach Doug Fleetwood has reached levels never attained at SU, but he is still not satisfied after winning his 300th game on April 16.

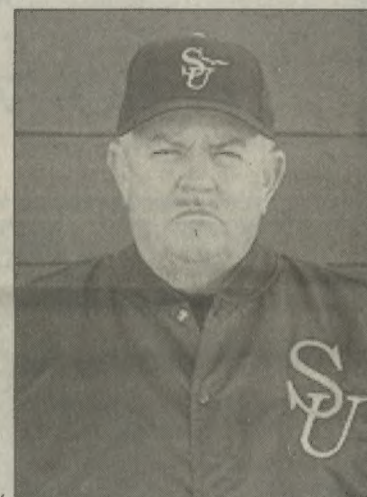
In his nine years at Salisbury, Fleetwood has brought to the team their only two World Series appearances in 2001 and 2004. He has also won 77 percent of the games he has coached.

"I just told people before, you certainly want to be successful and you want to win games," Fleetwood said. "Obviously winning 300 games in nine years then you've average 30 something games a year and 30 a year is kind of the key in college baseball. It means we've had a lot of good players and a lot of good coaches here, we've been fortunate to have those people."

The coach enjoyed 12 years of success at Cambridge-South Dorchester High School, where he won a state title and had a winning percentage of 73. Prior to his time at Cambridge, Fleetwood was a player and student at Salisbury University, class of 1972.

"I went to school here, I played here, and you certainly have a strong feeling for your school so it was nice," Fleetwood said. "I had a good career before I got here, obviously, at [Cambridge-South Dorchester]. I came here, it was neat to come back to where you went to school — it was a positive situation no doubt."

While Fleetwood's track record suggests that he has a good deal to do with the success of the Salisbury baseball program, he attributes it to

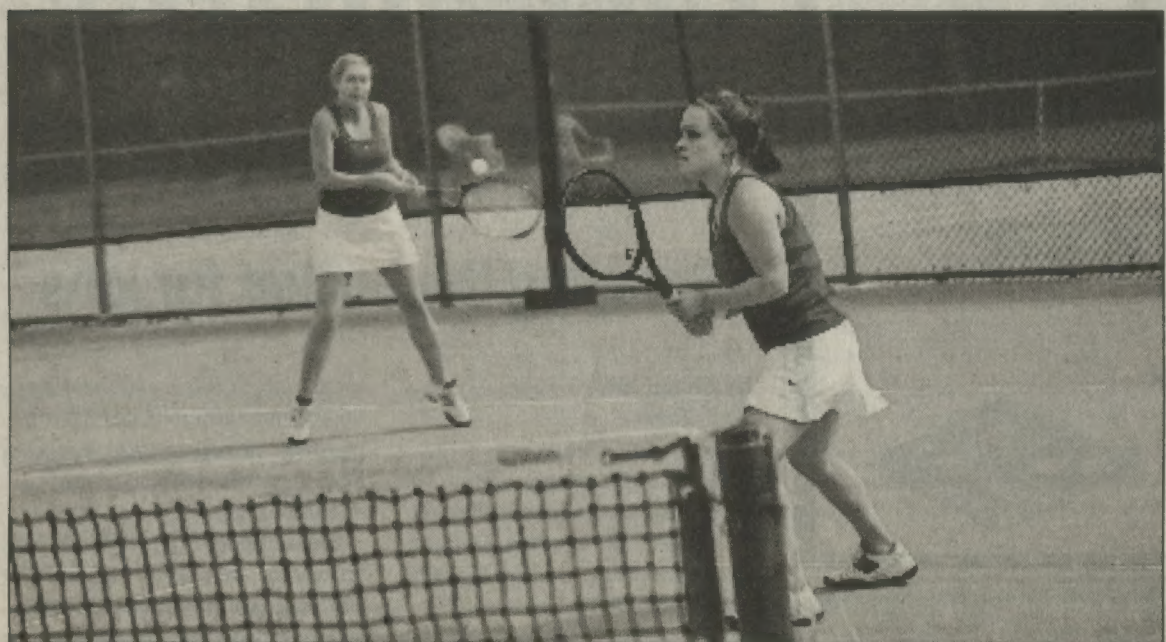


Athletics photo
Doug Fleetwood

his players more than anything else. "Talent. Talent. You don't win at this level without good baseball players or coaching," Fleetwood said. "We've been very fortunate the nine years that I've been here to have outstanding talent and outstanding assistant coaches. Because of that, you win; if you don't have the talent then you don't win. It's just that simple it's not a fancy formula — believe me."

The Sea Gulls recently won the Capital Athletic Conference championship and are now driving towards the NCAA South Regional. Their last regular season home game before the regionals will take place on May 6 at 3:30 p.m. against Montclair State.

"We want to go to the regionals, that's an expectation. What we'd like to do is put ourselves in position to win that regional and get back to the World Series," Fleetwood said. "Being in position to win a national title — that's what it's about. We really have no other goals; it's really what we want to do."



Dan Anderson photo

Anna Marie Kable and Jackie Burr beat York in doubles 8-2, but went on to lose against Mary Washington 8-2.

Women's tennis falls to Mary Washington after defeating York

By Kaitlyn Sullivan
Staff Writer

The Salisbury women's tennis team was defeated 9-0 last Friday by University of Mary Washington in the Capital Athletic Conference championship game.

The second-seed Gulls beat out third-seed York College 8-1 in the semifinals last Tuesday.

"The team felt great after our victory over York. This was the semifinals of the CACs and it helped set the tone for the finals against Mary Washington," said junior Rachel Iosue.

Salisbury took the Spartans 3-0 in doubles matches. Iosue and fellow junior Kelly Fahrner set the tone for the day after shutting out their opponents with a final score of 8-0 in the first doubles match. Junior Jackie Burr and senior Anna Marie Kable followed up by winning 8-2. Sophomore Angela Tenaglia and senior Robyn Wendell stayed

strong and took the third victory in the doubles competition 8-4. Burr was named the CAC's women's tennis player of the week.

The Gulls almost swept the singles competition against the Spartans, with five wins and only one loss. Kable led the team in third singles, winning 6-2, 6-1. Fahrner was right behind her, defeating her opponent 6-1, 6-1.

"Our team dynamic during doubles has improved so much over the season. Every time we step onto the court we know we have what it takes to win," Iosue said.

Salisbury's big victory over York was not enough to win them the 2009 championship title. The Gulls, who have fallen to rival Mary Washington before in the CAC championship, were no match for the Eagles who came back to claim their sixth straight title.

"They were a really strong

team. We played as hard as we could, and we left our hearts and souls on the court. We wanted to walk away knowing we tried our best, and I think we all did. We just lost to a better opponent," Kable said.

Kable and Burr lost 8-2 in first doubles. Fahrner and Iosue recorded another loss for the Gulls in second doubles with a score of 8-3. After Kable and Fahrner were both defeated in the singles competition, the Gulls lost their chance at the title.

The loss against Mary Washington marks the end of the 2009 women's tennis season. Salisbury will be losing seniors Lauren Bakker, Kable and Wendell.

"We love our coaches and the girls. We could not thank our coaches enough for everything. We know they are going to have an amazing season next year. They have a great foundation to work from and all the ability to be an amazing team," Kable said

junior season after throwing for 3,459 passing yards and 25 touchdowns in the tough SEC. Also, strong performances at the NFL Combine and his pro day workouts solidified Stafford as the best quarterback in the draft.

The Lions are trying to rebuild their franchise in every aspect after going an NFL record low 0-16 during the regular season. The Lions are expecting a lot from Stafford because of the "state of emergency" the Lions are in. Before the draft, Stafford addressed the pressure of possibly being the No. 1 pick. "Coming in as a No. 1

pick would be pressure on any rookie, but especially for a quarterback," he said. "The Lions asked me questions like, 'What will you say to the media if you go 0-4 and throw four picks?' I think you've got to take the blame. Put it on me. I've been playing with that kind of attitude for a long time."

With the addition of quarterback Matthew Stafford, the Detroit Lions are on the right track in rebuilding their franchise.

Other notable big name players in the first round selection included linebacker Aaron Curry, who was picked by the Seattle Sea-

hawks; wide receiver Michael Crabtree who went to the San Francisco 49ers; and quarterback Mark Sanchez who was selected by the New York Jets.

Hometown teams the Washington Redskins and the Baltimore Ravens addressed some key issues in the first round as well by drafting some needed players. The Redskins owned the No. 13 pick in the draft and they used it to draft defensive end Brian Orakpo from the University of Texas. Orakpo was projected to go much earlier in the draft, but in the end the Redskins were able to get the defensive end.

Orakpo will join defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth in creating a nightmare for opponents.

The Ravens took their No. 23 pick and used it on offensive tackle Michael Oher from the University of Mississippi. Oher was a steal for the Ravens, as he was projected to go in the top 10 of the draft. Oher will be protecting quarterback Joe Flacco, the former first rounder, providing more protection for the franchise player.

Both the Redskins and Ravens were able to get players who have the potential to impact their teams in a big way.

Kobe and Lebron and Wade, oh my!

By Jeffrey Southworth
Sports Editor

As soon as the NBA playoffs start, things get a little bit more personal, players pick it up on defense and the great players in the league separate themselves from the good. The MVP buzz the entire season has circulated around three players — Kobe, Lebron and Wade — and over a week into the playoffs, these three players have set themselves even further apart from everybody else.

Not to say the playoffs aren't full of really good players turning in really good performances: Brandon Roy's 42 points in game two or Tony Parker going for 38 and 43. These performances don't go unnoticed, but the level of play that we've been witnessing from Kobe, Lebron and Wade is a blessing.

If it wasn't already big enough, these three have widened the gap between themselves and the other two players that belong in the NBA's top five list of true superstars. Chris Paul and Dwight Howard are attempting to carry their teams into the second round and are continuing to play as the fourth and fifth best player in the league, but they lack that extra gear only Kobe, Lebron and Wade have.

Kobe Bryant is still the most skilled player in the league and Lebron James is the most talented; but Dwight Wade means more to the Miami Heat than maybe any other athlete in any sport.

Kobe's performance in game four showed that, although the Lakers may still be a little soft, he is on a mission. He started the game by scoring the Lakers' first 13 points and we could tell right from tip-off that Bryant wouldn't allow Los Angeles to lose. If anything, it showed that he is still the most skilled player in the world.

Lebron's torturing of the Pistons is almost unfair. I feel ashamed of myself for even thinking that just maybe the Pistons would at the very least challenge Cleveland in game three. If Kobe is the best, Lebron is the most unstoppable. He is also the most valuable player to the league because of his celebrity status and remarkable ability to market.

Kobe is the skilled, Lebron is the talented and I can't think of an adjective that would do Wade justice. Never have I seen one player carry a team like Wade is carrying the Heat in this first round. The fact that Wade is doing this all against the most athletic team in the league stands to show how truly talented he really is. After a shaky game one, Wade has led the Heat to back to back blowouts in games three and four.

Kobe and Lebron are on an inevitable collision course. While there is no one in the west that can defeat the Lakers in a seven game series, there is one player that I would be worried about in the east and he goes by the name of Flash.

SU softball headed to the playoffs

By Jeremy Kummer
Staff Writer



Dan Anderson photo

Brittany Lounge squares around and bunts the ball against Washington College on Saturday. The Sea Gulls won 14-0.

Last Wednesday, the Salisbury softball team was supposed to host Gettysburg, but Mother Nature had different plans. Due to torrential downpours, the game was cancelled and Salisbury's 28-game winning streak was put on hold. However, the team would soon be challenged, as Salisbury hosted Washington College on Saturday.

Entering into the game, Salisbury had already clinched the number one seed in the Capital Athletic Conference tournament. However, they were looking to end the season with a bang, and they did just that. Salisbury opened up the double-header with a 14-0 walloping of WAC.

Senior Stacey Malarkey started the game off with her team-leading 11th homerun of season. The Sea Gulls' starting pitcher senior Stacey Davis did not allow WAC to even make the game interesting as she recorded a shut out on the way to her 20th win of the season. Salisbury's third and final senior Meghan O'Gara, who was named

2009 CAC Player of the Year, contributed with two hits and two runs scored. Salisbury looked crisp, focused and determined, which can be accredited to 2009 CAC Coach of the Year, Margie Knight, her seventh such award.

Salisbury's second game of the afternoon was much of the same as the Sea Gulls jumped out to an early 4-0 lead and never looked back. Salisbury's starting pitcher and ace, sophomore Kelsey Mills, stayed one-step ahead of Washington all day long as she struck out five, walked three and allowed only one run. The final score was 7-1.

For the season, Salisbury went 12-0 in conference play and 34-4 overall; so it would appear as though Salisbury has already punched their ticket to the upcoming tourney. However, they still must wait out the formalities before preparing for their next opponent. With a number one ranking in the Atlantic region, it would be a safe bet to assume that Salisbury will be making their 14th consecutive appearance in the NCAA Division III softball tournament, which begins in early May.

SU participates in Penn Relays

By Therren Dennis
Staff Writer

Throughout last weekend, the SU men's and women's track teams competed in the world's largest annual track and field meet, the historic Penn Relays. Held at Franklin Field at the University of Pennsylvania, the 115th running of the track meet brought in a crowd of 111,720 — the fifth-largest of the three-day affair to date.

The Sea Gulls competed against Division I, II, III schools from across the country and also schools traveling from Canada and

Jamaica.

The men were led by junior All-American Cory Beebe. Beebe placed 13th overall out of 48 runners in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 52.60 seconds, the fastest time in Division III this season. The time qualifies him for the 2009 National Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships and shatters his personal best of 53.20 seconds set at the Sea Gull Opener on March 7.

Beebe was also a member of the 4x400 meter relay team that won its heat with a time of 3:20.30 minutes. The team, which included

freshman Paul Moore and juniors Mike Marfut and Quentin Briscoe, placed 55th out of 80 teams.

Junior All-American Delannie Springs ran against tough competition from Division I schools in the 100-meter dash. Spriggs placed 12th out of 24 runners with a time of 10.70 seconds.

Junior All-American Brandon Fugett competed in two events. Fugett finished 11th out of 25 throwers in the shot put with a distance of 15.68 meters and was the only Division III discus throw participant, placing 29th overall in the event with a throw of 43.69

meters. Junior Christian Adami placed 28th overall in the javelin throw with his 51.51 meters. Junior Bill Nastasiak placed 18th overall in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:54.83.

The 4x400-meter relay team, comprised of seniors Lauren Foreman and Jenn Bulger, junior Lindsey Meltzer and freshman Becca Stinner, placed 79th overall in the event with a time of 4:17.62.

The Sea Gulls will next compete in the 2009 Mason-Dixon Outdoor Track and Field Championships, starting on May 1.

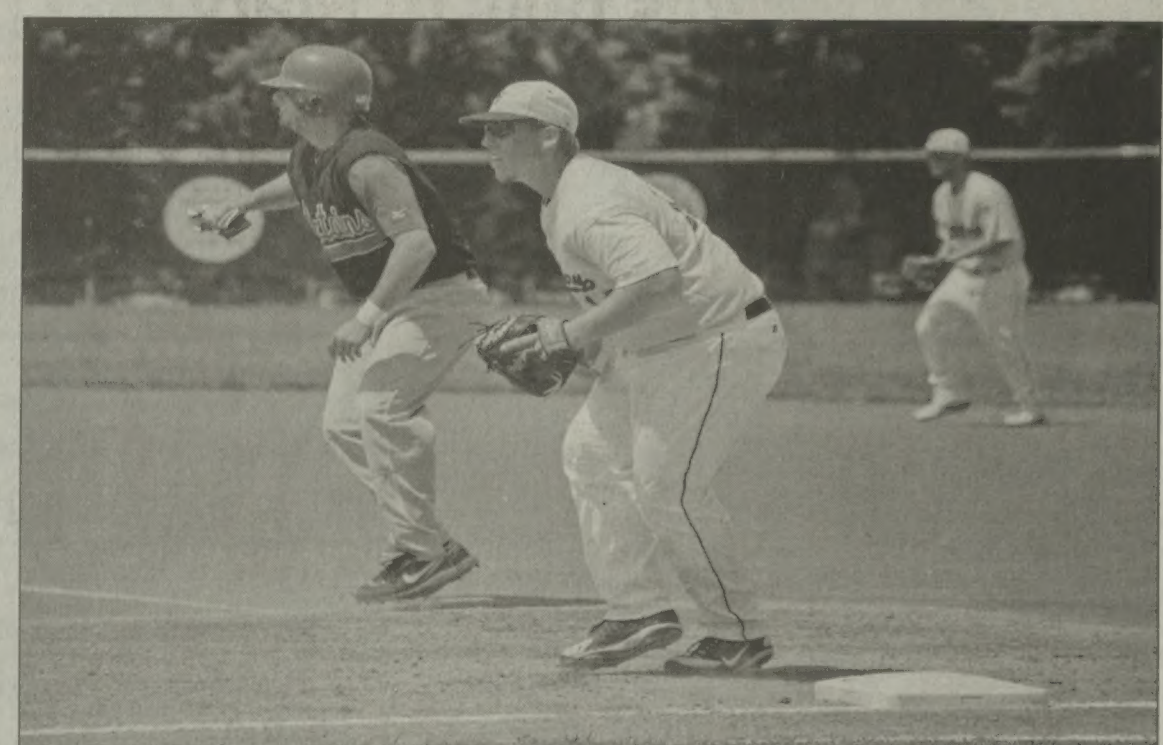
Baseball splits with CNU Drops on the road, wins at home

By Ben Muell
Staff Writer

Last week, Salisbury's fourth ranked baseball team split a two game non-conference series with Christopher Newport University. The Gulls were defeated in the first game last Friday 7-4 but quickly sank the Captains on Saturday 10-3.

Down in Newport News, Va. on Friday, the Maroon and Gold suffered their first road loss in a month. They held a tight lead over the early portion of the game but Senior Eric Willey was unable to hold down the lead in part due to a couple of defensive miscues in the field. Willey, now 8-3 on the season, allowed six hits and six runs, three of which were earned over six and a third innings. Salisbury's bats were also stagnant for much of the game only gathering six hits and only one over the last three innings.

The boys of summer turned things around with a victory on a Saturday that saw temperatures reach 90 degrees for the first time this year. Kyle Judson continued to pitch brilliantly as he got his ninth win to remain undefeated on the season. The sophomore kept the Captains down over his seven innings of work, allowing only three runs. He surrendered seven hits while striking out seven and walking only one.



Dan Anderson photo

First baseman Mike Celenza holds the runner at first during last weekend's game against Christopher Newport University. The Gulls defeated CNU at home 10-3.

Fellow Sophomore Dustin Herbert relieved Judson over the final two innings, retiring all six batters he faced while striking out two.

The Gulls' bats also warmed up with the heat. They jumped right out of the gate putting two and three runs on the board in the first two innings. Coming from behind the plate, Andrew Miller led off with a bunt single then stole second, 24 for 24

swipes over the season. Randy Boyle's sacrifice fly to center field moved Miller up to third and Mike Celenza then doubled which scored Miller for the first run of the game. Celenza later scored on a single up the middle by Cody Collins to give Salisbury a two run lead. The next time around, SU quickly loaded the bases and Boyle singled to left, scoring another run. Celenza's ground out pushed in another

run and Miller later scored on a wild pitch giving the Gulls a 5-0 lead. The Gulls plated three more runs in the fourth. Celenza collected his third and fourth RBI on the day with a two run bomb in the sixth inning.

This week the Gulls play on the road as they take on Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore on Tuesday and Washington College in Chestertown, Md. on Wednesday.

2009 NFL draft bodes well for the Redskins

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

With the first pick in the 2009 NFL Draft, the Detroit Lions selected quarterback Matthew Stafford from the University of Georgia. Stafford was projected to be the best overall player in this year's draft and agreed to terms on a contract last Friday night before the draft. The Lions signed Stafford to a six year, \$78 million dollar contract with \$41.7 million in guaranteed money. Stafford was projected to be the best player in the draft based off a very solid

pick would be pressure on any rookie, but especially for a quarterback," he said. "The Lions asked me questions like, 'What will you say to the media if you go 0-4 and throw four picks?' I think you've got to take the blame. Put it on me. I've been playing with that kind of attitude for a long time."

With the addition of quarterback Matthew Stafford, the Detroit Lions are on the right track in rebuilding their franchise.

Other notable big name players in the first round selection included linebacker Aaron Curry, who was picked by the Seattle Sea-

hawks; wide receiver Michael Crabtree who went to the San Francisco 49ers; and quarterback Mark Sanchez who was selected by the New York Jets.

Hometown teams the Washington Redskins and the Baltimore Ravens addressed some key issues in the first round as well by drafting some needed players. The Redskins owned the No. 13 pick in the draft and they used it to draft defensive end Brian Orakpo from the University of Texas. Orakpo was projected to go much earlier in the draft, but in the end the Redskins were able to get the defensive end.

Orakpo will join defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth in creating a nightmare for opponents.

The Ravens took their No. 23 pick and used it on offensive tackle Michael Oher from the University of Mississippi. Oher was a steal for the Ravens, as he was projected to go in the top 10 of the draft. Oher will be protecting quarterback Joe Flacco, the former first rounder, providing more protection for the franchise player.

Both the Redskins and Ravens were able to get players who have the potential to impact their teams in a big way.

SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

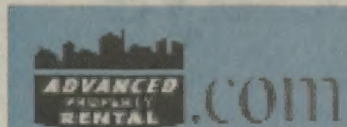
Tuesday-4/28	Wednesday-4/29	Thursday-4/30	Friday-5/1	Saturday-5/2	Sunday-5/3	Monday-5/4
03:30 PM Baseball @ Johns Hopkins	03:00 PM Baseball @ Washington (Md.) College		Track and Field @ Mason-Dixon Championships	Track and Field @ Mason-Dixon Championships		
				01:00 PM Women's Lacrosse vs. Alumni		

Welcomed home



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Stacey Malarkey is greeted at home plate by her team after hitting her team-leading 11th homerun against Washington College. She went 3-for-5 on the day with four runs scored and 3 RBIs.



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Logan Bilderback shoots against Stevenson University in the CAC semi-finals. The Gulls went on to defeat the Mustangs 19 - 8.

Women's lax wins the CACs

By Edward Baidoo
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The SU women's lacrosse team played great this past week, defeating Stevenson University last Tuesday 19-8 and Mary Washington University 16-8 last Friday to earn their seventh consecutive CAC title.

In the semifinal match on Tuesday, SU got off to a very quick start as they started the scoring with a goal in the first minute of action by Robyn Bishop. The Sea Gulls then went on to score three more goals in the beginning of the game and went on to a 4-0 lead before Stevenson's Megan Weiss scored the Mustangs' first goal. SU head coach Jim Nestor was happy with the team's effort.

"We played well offensively and got good looks. We also caused a lot of turnovers today as well," Nestor said.

Midfielder Robyn Bishop, who had six goals and one assist in the match, led the Gulls. Goalie Sonja Stuart had eight saves in the victory. The fast start for the Gulls

was important in getting the victory.

"Stevenson is a good team. It was important to get off to a good start so that our opponents don't go into halftime thinking they can beat us," Bishop said.

Spencer Kraus led Stevenson in defeat with three goals. Lisa Baker added two goals. The goalie tandem of Jenny Schroeder and Devan Malone registered three saves in the game.

The Gulls then moved on to the championship game versus Mary Washington. They defeated the Eagles 16-8. After getting off to another quick 4-0 start, beginning with a goal at the 28:44 mark of the first half by Meagan Osipowich, SU and Mary Washington went back and forth scoring goals, which resulted in a 7-4 halftime score. The Gulls eventually pulled away enough to secure their seventh straight Capital Athletic Conference championship, outscoring the Eagles 9-4 in the second half.

Osipowich, who scored six goals and had an assist, led the Gulls in the match. The team is excited to

win the championship and head back to the NCAA Tournament.

"It feels great. We had a lot of obstacles, injuries and setbacks this season, but to overcome all that and win says a lot about the team," Osipowich said.

Ellen Bikowski, who scored three goals in the match, led the Eagles. Goalie Dannie Guigli made twelve saves in the loss as well.

The Gulls now head back to the NCAA Tournament. Nestor has been to these tournaments before and knows how to approach the upcoming tournament.

"We will not be changing our team's approach as much. We will just focus on the things we are strong at and a little bit on defense. Getting players back will help us as well," Nestor said.

"We can't be successful unless we keep improving in practice everyday. If we keep improving everyday and keep our momentum up, we should be pretty successful because we need to in order to play against our competition," Osipowich said.



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